Docket No. 0039-7669-2S

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Eiji SAWA, et al.

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EXAMINER: Patel, S.D.

FOR:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR INSPECTING PATTERNS

## REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136

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Technology Center 2600

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

It is hereby requested that a	one month extension	of time be granted to	October 4, 2003 for
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filing a response to the Official Action dated: June 4, 2003

responding to the requirements in the Notice of Allowability dated:

filing the Formal Drawings. The Issue Fee due has been timely filed.

responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated:

filing a Notice of Appeal. A timely response to the final rejection, due has been filed.

filing an Appeal Brief. A Notice of Appeal was filed on:

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown below is reduced by one-half.

The required fee of \$110.00 is enclosed herewith by credit card payment and any further charges may be made against the Attorney of Record's Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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